

Mr. TRAFICANT. Reserving the right to object, Mr. Chairman, and I will object, I ask unanimous consent that we suspend with the Andrews amendment, that we proceed with the votes, and then they have their 30 minutes to conclude the Andrews amendment, and that vote will be taken Monday.

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It will give everybody an adequate amount of time. We will have the votes. Members want to leave here. Everybody who wants to speak will have an opportunity to speak, and that will be a pending vote coming Monday. All those other members that are pending can be handled Monday.

The CHAIRMAN. The pending request is the unanimous consent request offered by the gentleman from Alabama (Mr. CALLAHAN), limiting time on the pending Andrews amendment and amendments thereto to 15 minutes for each side.

Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Alabama?

Mr. TRAFICANT. Mr. Chairman, I object.

The CHAIRMAN. Objection is heard.

Mr. TRAFICANT. I ask unanimous consent, Mr. Chairman, that the pending amendment by the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. ANDREWS) be suspended and that the Committee proceed with the votes that have been scheduled.

Mr. CALLAHAN. Mr. Chairman, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. TRAFICANT. I yield to the gentleman from Alabama.

Mr. CALLAHAN. Mr. Chairman, why does the gentleman from Ohio not first establish the amount of time of debate, and we will rise.

The CHAIRMAN. The Chair asks all Members to suspend.

The gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. ANDREWS) would have to, by unanimous consent, withdraw his amendment and get permission in the full House, where a special order has already been entered on permissible amendments, to reoffer his amendment for such a procedure to be permitted in the Committee of the Whole.

The pending amendment is the amendment offered by the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. ANDREWS).

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Chairman, in the interest of time, and under the way the 5-minute rule works, that is, people come and it is not divided on each side of the issue, which is the way the 5-minute rule works, the gentleman from Alabama (Mr. CALLAHAN) and I have worked very hard to try to bring something that was honed down, with minimal controversy, to the floor.

Clearly, the House must work its will, and it is doing so, largely with authorizing issues, I might add, I mean debates that have been carried over from the authorizing committee; and that is completely appropriate.

But recognizing all that we have been through today, I ask unanimous consent that each side of the amendment have 10 minutes, and then we take the vote and proceed with the other votes this evening.

The CHAIRMAN. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from California?

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Chairman, I have to object.

The CHAIRMAN. Objection is heard.

Mr. TRAFICANT. Mr. Chairman, I ask unanimous consent that the pending Andrews amendment be given an additional 30 minutes to be equally divided and that the debate take place after the House has completed its votes on the pending amendments; and any recorded vote, if called by the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. ANDREWS), would be then, thus, held Monday as the first order of business.

The CHAIRMAN. The Chair would inform the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. TRAFICANT) that the Committee of the Whole does not have the authority that the gentleman is requesting.

Mr. CALLAHAN. Mr. Chairman, if we are still in the Committee of the Whole, I rise to speak in opposition to the Andrews amendment.

Mr. Chairman, the effect of the Andrews amendment, which we really did not anticipate would be introduced, especially at this late hour of the night, comes at a surprise because we were of the understanding that he was not going to introduce it.

So with the misinformation that I had regarding that what someone thought was a commitment, I speak against the Andrews amendment because, effectively, what he does, he shuts down the Overseas Private Investment Corporation.

The Andrews amendment would devastate the ability of our American companies from doing business in any foreign country. It would give such tremendous advantage to our foreign competitors, because every one of the G-7 Nations have, in effect, in their country an organization similar to this.

The sponsor of the amendment indicated that OPIC costs us money. In reality, Mr. Chairman, let me tell my colleagues that OPIC makes money. They intend to return nearly \$200 million to the Treasury to help us continue to decrease our level of deficit spending. We should compliment organizations such as that.

It would hurt U.S. jobs, because when we have the inability to transfer our technology, to transfer our American interest to foreign countries, those jobs are going to go to other countries. So we are going to lose an estimated 70,000 U.S. jobs alone in the next 4 years.

It would hurt our export. It would hurt small businesses who contribute to the multifaceted involvement of our American firms doing business in foreign countries.

It hurts our competitiveness. It hurts everything that we stand for with respect to our ability to recognize that we are in a global economy, that if we are going to expand, if we are going to have exports, our American companies must have the same advantages, a level playing field, as does Japan, as does France, as does Germany, as does the Great Britain, and all of the countries that we are competing with for our businesses overseas.

For an example, if General Electric or Westinghouse, if we built a power plant that is not financed by, but guaranteed by OPIC, they do not put some type of Japanese generator there. They put an American generator there. As a result, jobs are created here in the United States of America.

This is not something that is new. It has come up in the past. I am sure it will come up in the future. But the sponsor of the bill, in my opinion, is making a very serious mistake in his amendment, which effectively shuts OPIC down entirely.

It tells the bank, OPIC bank, that they can continue to collect the monies that they are collecting now, but they cannot have any new deposits, they cannot have any new business at all coming in in the future.

So it is a very, very definite move, I think, in the wrong direction.

Mr. Chairman, I move that the Committee do now rise.

The motion was agreed to.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD) having assumed the chair, Mr. THORNBERRY, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2606) making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes, had come to no resolution thereon.

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LIMITING DEBATE ON ANDREWS AMENDMENT DURING FURTHER CONSIDERATION IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF H.R. 2606, FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2000

Mr. CALLAHAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when we return for debate on this bill, that the amendment offered by the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. Andrews) have a time limitation of 30 minutes, divided equally, 15 minutes for proponents and 15 minutes for opponents.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Alabama?

Mr. ANDREWS. Reserving the right to object, and I will not object, one of

the things I wanted to make clear is that the chairman, I am sure in good faith, made a representation earlier there had been an agreement by me not to offer this amendment. That is not accurate. I did not make any representation to anyone to that effect, and I wanted to clear that up for the record.

Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my reservation of objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Alabama?

Mr. MENENDEZ. Reserving the right to object, can the distinguished chairman advise me when this debate is going to commence on Monday?

Mr. CALLAHAN. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. MENENDEZ. I yield to the gentleman from Alabama.

Mr. CALLAHAN. I am informed that we will begin debate on this issue at 4 o'clock on Monday.

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my reservation of objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair would inquire if the unanimous consent request assumes that the amendment will be reoffered at a subsequent time when the Committee resumes its sitting on a subsequent day?

Mr. CALLAHAN. I felt, Mr. Speaker, that the pending amendment would be the order of business at that time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. At a subsequent time, not this evening; is that correct?

Mr. CALLAHAN. At a subsequent time, yes.

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, and just in protecting the rights of the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. ANDREWS), when we are talking about a subsequent time, so that he knows, will this debate on his amendment begin, the proceedings, at 4 o'clock on Monday; is that the correct understanding?

Mr. CALLAHAN. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Ms. PELOSI. I yield to the gentleman from Alabama.

Mr. CALLAHAN. The purpose of my unanimous consent is to come back into session at 4 o'clock on Monday next, at which time, when the Committee of the Whole is reestablished, we would then be on the Andrews amendment. At that point there would be 30 minutes divided, 15 minutes on each side, when the Committee of the Whole was regrouped.

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my reservation of objection.

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, may I ask the chairman how the time would be allocated; who would control the time?

Mr. CALLAHAN. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. ANDREWS. I yield to the gentleman from Alabama.

Mr. CALLAHAN. The Chair would have to answer that, but my under-

standing is that the sponsor of the amendment would have 15 minutes and someone else designated by the Chair would have 15 minutes to oppose the gentleman's amendment. I would assume that would be me.

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my reservation of objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The amendment is withdrawn without prejudice to it being reoffered whenever the Committee resumes its setting under a 30-minute time limit for debate, equally divided.

Without objection, the unanimous consent request is granted.

There was no objection.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2000

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 263 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill, H.R. 2606.

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IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2606) making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes, with Mr. THORNBERRY in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIRMAN. When the Committee of the Whole rose earlier today, pending was amendment No. 6 offered by the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. ANDREWS), which has now been withdrawn by order of the House.

SEQUENTIAL VOTES POSTPONED IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The CHAIRMAN. Pursuant to House Resolution 263, proceedings will now resume on those amendments on which further proceedings were postponed, in the following order:

The amendment offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. CAMPBELL), amendment No. 1 offered by the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MOAKLEY), and Part B amendment No. 3 offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. PITTS).

The Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the time for any electronic vote after the first vote in this series.

AMENDMENT OFFERED BY MR. CAMPBELL

The CHAIRMAN. The pending business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. CAMPBELL) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will designate the amend-

ment. The Clerk designated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The CHAIRMAN. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 13, noes 414, not voting 6, as follows:

[Roll No. 351]

AYES—13

Boucher	Paul	Taylor (MS)
Campbell	Payne	Thompson (MS)
Conyers	Rohrabacher	Watt (NC)
Hostettler	Sanford	
McKinney	Sensenbrenner	

NOES—414

Abercrombie	Cooksey	Graham
Ackerman	Costello	Granger
Aderholt	Cox	Green (TX)
Allen	Coyne	Green (WI)
Andrews	Cramer	Greenwood
Archer	Crane	Gutknecht
Armey	Crowley	Hall (OH)
Bachus	Cubin	Hall (TX)
Baird	Cummings	Hansen
Baker	Cunningham	Hastings (FL)
Baldacci	Danner	Hastings (WA)
Baldwin	Davis (FL)	Hayes
Ballenger	Davis (IL)	Hayworth
Barcia	Davis (VA)	Hefley
Barr	Deal	Herger
Barrett (NE)	DeFazio	Hill (IN)
Barrett (WI)	DeGette	Hill (MT)
Bartlett	DeLauro	Hillery
Bass	DeLay	Hilliard
Bateman	DeMint	Hinchey
Becerra	Deutsch	Hinojosa
Bentsen	Diaz-Balart	Hobson
Bereuter	Dickey	Hoeffel
Berkley	Dicks	Hoekstra
Berman	Dingell	Holden
Berry	Dixon	Holt
Biggert	Doggett	Hooley
Bilbray	Dooley	Horn
Bilirakis	Doolittle	Houghton
Bishop	Doyle	Hoyer
Blagojevich	Dreier	Hulshof
Bliley	Duncan	Hunter
Blumenauer	Dunn	Hutchinson
Blunt	Edwards	Hyde
Boehlert	Ehlers	Inslee
Boehner	Ehrlich	Isakson
Bonilla	Emerson	Istook
Bonior	Engel	Jackson (IL)
Bono	English	Jackson-Lee
Borski	Eshoo	(TX)
Boswell	Etheridge	Jefferson
Boyd	Evans	Jenkins
Brady (PA)	Everett	John
Brady (TX)	Ewing	Johnson (CT)
Brown (FL)	Farr	Johnson, E.B.
Brown (OH)	Fattah	Johnson, Sam
Bryant	Filner	Jones (NC)
Burr	Fletcher	Jones (OH)
Burton	Foley	Kanjorski
Buyer	Forbes	Kaptur
Callahan	Ford	Kasich
Calvert	Fossella	Kelly
Camp	Fowler	Kennedy
Canady	Frank (MA)	Kildee
Cannon	Franks (NJ)	Kilpatrick
Capps	Frelinghuysen	Kind (WI)
Capuano	Frost	King (NY)
Cardin	Gallegly	Kingston
Carson	Ganske	Kleczka
Castle	Gejdenson	Klink
Chabot	Gekas	Knollenberg
Chambliss	Gephardt	Kolbe
Chenoweth	Gibbons	Kucinich
	Gilchrest	Kuykendall
	Gillmor	LaFalce
	Gilman	LaHood
	Gonzalez	Lampson
	Goode	Lantos
	Goodlatte	Largent
	Goodling	Larson
	Gordon	Latham
	Goss	LaTourette
		Lazio